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A lady who has a great horror of the tobacco habit got on a car the other day and said to the passenger next to her: "Do you chew tobacco, sir?"
"No, madam, I don't" was the reply, "but I can get you a chew if you want one?"—Ex.

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WASHINGTON LETTER.
From our Regular Correspondent

The Dewey fight of the McKinleyites is fast reaching an acute stage. It is no longer a secret that Senator Proctor is grooming Dewey for the presidential nomination next year, and a statement made to Vermont friends that "no man has ever yet refused to the presidency," is significant of his belief that he can count upon Dewey's acceptance, if he can show him that he can be nominated. Said a prominent Republican official: "Proctor's attitude must be highly enjoyable to Tom Reed, whom he betrayed in 1896. As a reward for betraying Reed at a time when McKinley's nomination was in doubt, Proctor has been given the disposition of more patronage under the administration than any one man, excepting Hanna, of course, has had; and now he is showing his gratitude." Proctor's political shrewdness is unquestioned, and if the democrats can only carry Ohio, he will get all the assistance he wishes in booming Dewey for the republican nomination next year. Nothing short of overwhelming republican success in Ohio, can give Mr. McKinley a reasonable degree of certainty that he will be nominated, and that seems doubtful indeed at this time. A Vermont, who claims to know Senator Proctor's plans says he has no intention of bringing Dewey out as a candidate unless he is certain that he can be nominated, that he is only preparing things so he can use him to supplant Mr. McKinley, if he thinks it advisable to do so.

Col. Isaac Hill, who has been an official of the House for years, says of the Ohio campaign, in which he has been participating: "The democrats have the best chance they have had in years to carry this fall's election in the buckeye state. They will poll the full strength of the party and capture many votes besides, while the disaffection among the republicans will keep several thousand of them from the polls. The McLean forces are thoroughly united, and are making the greatest canvass ever conducted by the democrats in Ohio. I am going back in a few days to again take part in the campaign."

Admiral Schley's response to a committee from the Woman's National Industrial League, which called on him to present a copy of the resolution adopted by the League asking contributions from industrial workers to purchase a home for him, was worthy of the man and his record. He said: "While I feel deeply touched by the desire of your committee, which the resolution brings to my attention, and sincerely appreciate the purpose and wishes you so kindly suggest to me, I feel that I ought to ask you to defer this matter until the wants and needs of the cold winter now coming on, have passed, and its demands in

the households of some of the great army of industrial workers have first been met before any provision is made for me. With expressions of deep gratitude to you, the matter is left to your consideration."

Representative-elect Roberts, of Utah, now in the East, says the fight against him is largely political and that he intends to stand up for his rights all the way through. He says he was elected as a democrat, not as a Mormon; that prominent Mormons were on the stump against him, and that he carried a number of non-Mormon voting districts. He denied that he came east to avoid a warrant issued for him in Utah; also that he has ever violated the anti-polygamy law. He expresses confidence that he will serve his full time in the House. The fight against Mr. Roberts promises to be one of the bitterest ever made against any man's retention of his seat in either branch of Congress.

There is no limit to the claims that republicans are willing to make for the administration, but there is a limit to the imposition that can be practiced upon the intelligent men. It is simply ridiculous for the administration to claim credit, as it is now doing, for the acceptance by Canada of the temporary boundary line between Alaska and Canada, which was some time ago agreed upon by representatives of the United States and England, when it is well known that the Canadian government was compelled to accept the English government. It is equally well known why England has a troublesome war on hand with the Transvaal republic, in which it wishes the moral support of the United States government, and as a sort of bribe, it ordered Canada to accept the temporary boundary line, which the Canadian Premier had declared he would fight rather than accept. Certainly there is nothing in that to entitle the administration to any credit. While the acceptance of the boundary line is advantageous to Americans, it is after all merely a postponement of the dispute to some future time, when England has no war on its hands.

The administration has announced a strict neutrality in the war in South Africa, and it would better live up to that announcement, as there is a powerful sentiment in this country, especially among those of Irish and German descent against the attitude of England in that war, and those who entertain the sentiment will quickly resent any departure from neutrality by this government.

"They are simply perfect" writes Robt. Moore, of La Fayette Ind. of DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills for constipation and all liver ailments. Never gripe, coffee bros. Phillips & son, L. C. Reeves.

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OBITUARY.

James Byrd was born on a tributary of the beautiful Watauga, Sept. 24, 1875. He was baptized into the fellowship of the Baptist church on the 2nd Sunday in May, 1898. He was a consistent member of the church at Clarks Creek, of which he remained a faithful member, until the time of his death, which occurred on the 11th inst., at the age of 24 years and 17 days.

It may be truly said that a good young man has fallen. Oh, how sad, looking at it from a human standpoint, to see such a noble young man cut down in his early manhood, around whom clustered the love and confidence of all who knew him.

As a boy, he was kind and obedient to his parents, to which his mother bore testimony amid her sighs and tears, saying: "My noblest boy is gone." To all his associates in boyhood and manhood he was ever kind and forbearing, but it was as a christian and member of the church that his life was brightest. The writer said to his pastor as they were riding to the burial, how much he will be missed by the church and the pastor replied, "Yes, and in the building of the church." He was borne from his home to the top of a beautiful hill overlooking the Watauga valley, where the funeral services were conducted by pastor C. S. Fairthing, and just as the sun was tinging the eastern hill tops and sinking beneath the western horizon, Bro. Jimmie was laid to rest to await the sound of that trumpet that shall awake the sleeping dead.

Brother Byrd was ordained a deacon of the church, the duties of which he performed faithfully. May his neighbors, and especially his brothers and sisters, emulate the life of this noble young man. Although he suffered greatly in his illness he did not complain, and not long before his death he seemed to rally from unconsciousness and said: "Mother, I must leave you. The Savior is coming after me. I am ready, and want to go with Him." Oh, father, mother, brothers and sisters how comforting these words ought to be to you. May you all prepare to meet death as Jimmie did, so that your last end may be like his.

D. C. HARMAN.
Sugar Grove, Oct. 13.

There is always hope while there is one Minute cough cure. "An attack of pneumonia left my lungs in bad shape and I was near the first stages of consumption. One Minute cough cure completely cured me." writes Helela Mellenry, Bismark, N. D. Gives instant relief, coffee bros. Phillips & son, L. C. Reeves.

Hon. B. B. Munford, will be the orator of the day at the unveiling of the Winnie Davis monument in Richmond, Va., on the 9th of November.

DeWitt's Little Early Risers permanently cure chronic constipation, biliousness, nervousness and worn-out feeling, cleanse and regulate the whole system. Small, pleasant, never gripe or sicken—"famous little pills" coffee bros. Phillips & son, L. C. Reeves.

What is a Democrat

Senator Gorman was approached the other day and questioned as to what he thought of Dewey as a democratic candidate for the presidency. He replied by asking another question, "Is Dewey a democrat?"

Even Dewey himself would have great difficulty in answering that question. Time was the term democrat had a specific meaning, but that time is passed and gone. Mr. Bryan says that to be a democrat is to believe in the free and unlimited coinage of silver.

Mr. Altgeld says that to be a democrat is to believe in government control of trusts. Mr. Swanson, of Virginia, says that to be a democrat is to support Goebel and the Goebel election law.

And so on and so on. There are democrats and democrats in these days, and is Dewey is called upon to answer the question which Mr. Gorman has propounded, he will have to add several adjectives and qualified sentences to the famous declaration of David B. Hill. In these days a man may affiliate with the democratic party and receive the right hand of fellowship, even though he be a republican, or a populist or a socialist, says the Richmond Times.

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Kodol Dyspepsia cure is a scientific compound having the endorsement of eminent physicians and the medical press. It digests what you eat and positively cures dyspepsia. M. A. Ketron, Bloomington, Tenn. says it cured him of indigestion of ten years standing. Coffey Bros. Phillips & Son, L. C. Reeves.

In a recent speech Booker T. Washington, the colored orator, said that while "the South had been guilty of many crimes, but rarely, if ever, of murdering men because they sought honest employment."

Chester H. Brown, of Kalamazoo, Mich., says: "Kodol Dyspepsia cure cured me of a severe case of indigestion; can strongly recommend it to all dyspeptics. Digests what you eat without aid from the stomach and cures dyspepsia, coffee bros. Phillips & son, L. C. Reeves.

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Letter From Honolulu, H. I.

Editor Democrat:
As we are laying over at this place, we will write you a few lines to let the people of old Watauga know how we are getting along.

We are the only boys from Watauga in the 27th Regiment, although we find that there are a few in some of the others, the 37th Inf. and 11th Cavalry.

We enlisted in Greensboro on July 24, and went from there to Camp Meade, Penn., where our regiment was made up and drilled, and left there on Aug. 30, for San Francisco and stayed there for two weeks. We left there on Sept. the 20th, on the U. S. transport Tacoma, and arrived here the 29th. We suffered considerably from sea-sickness the first two days, but after that had a very nice trip. Our rations on board the transport are very bad, but in camp are good; some better than we had last year in the Second North Carolina Regiment.

This is a very nice island, and is covered with fine fruit vegetables. This city has about 36,000 inhabitants, principally Chinese, Japanese and natives, there being only about 3,000 whites here. There are no other cities or towns on the island. There is 58 miles of railroad on the island and the engines that they use are not much more than a shoulder load for a stout man.

We will probably stay here two or three more days, as our ship needs some repairs, and will arrive at Manila about Nov. 1st. We saw quite a lot of the returned volunteers at San Francisco, from the Dakotas, Idaho and Colorado. They give the Philippines a tough name, but not as bad as the newspapers give it.

When we left San Francisco the 26th, 30th, 31st 33rd and a part of the 37th regiments were there, the 34th leaving before us, and the 30th and 11th Cavalry arrived here yesterday on the Sperman. Some of the others are on their way now.

Well, we have seen a good many different places since we left home, but none that suits us like old Watauga, and wait until we get back there and see if we don't stay.

A. W. Smith.
E. L. McGuire.
Co. D. 57th Reg. U. S. V. I.
Honolulu, Hawaii, Oct. 2.

"Best on the market for coughs and colds and all bronchial troubles; for croup it has no equal," writes Hery R. Whitford of South Caan, Con., of One Minute cough cure, coffee bros. Phillips & son, L. C. Reeves.

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